

Coronavirus (COVID-19)



The Contra Costa County Employment & Human Services (EHSD) [Volunteer & Emergency Services](#), in partnership with San Francisco Chronicle's [Season of Sharing \(SOS\) Program](#), provides emergency relief for families and individuals adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Payments will cover applicants who face a sudden crisis or shortfall due to job or wage loss resulting from COVID-19. All cases are subject to review including any required documentation to meet the criteria for eligibility. Funds are available on a first-come, first served basis.

Who is eligible to apply?

- **Families with children** under age 18.
- **Permanent or temporarily disabled** individuals.
- **Older adults over** age 55 years old.
- **Veterans**
- **Foster youth** or Transition Age Youth (19-24 years old)
- **Victims of domestic violence**

Eligibility criteria

- **Proof of crisis:** provide supporting documentation as to your emergency situation.
- **Proof of residency:** currently living within the 9 SOS supported Bay Area counties: Contra Costa, Alameda, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, & Sonoma.
- **Must not have received a prior SOS grant** from those counties within past five years.

Types of assistance

- Rental or Mortgage Payments
- Deposits and other housing expenses (e.g. water and garbage)
- Furniture
- Transportation (e.g. emergency car repair paid as rental assistance)
- Medical equipment (not covered by medical insurance)

Contact

For more information or to apply for Season of Sharing, please contact the SOS hotline at (925) 521-5065.

For questions, contact **Cindy Smith**, VES Program Coordinator, at (925) 521-5062 or csmith@ehsd.cccounty.us; or **Alvaro Florez**, SOS Coordinator at (925) 521-5063 or aflorez@ehsd.cccounty.us. Visit Contra Costa County EHSD, VES for more details.